

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~having~~ comprising:

[[-]] a chassis ~~(2)~~ comprising a frame ~~(3)~~,

[[-]] a seating device ~~(6, 7)~~ intended for the patient and connected to the chassis,

[[-]] a driving device ~~(9)~~ for moving the seating device ~~(6, 7)~~ relative to the frame ~~(3)~~ in the vertical direction between a lower and an upper position, ~~in which~~ wherein in the upper position, the seating device, ~~(6, 7)~~ and, thus, a patient sitting in it the seating device, are inclined backwards relative to the lower position, characterised by

[[-]] a stand ~~(4)~~ which belongs to the chassis ~~(2)~~ and extends upwards from the frame ~~(3)~~,

[[-]] an element ~~(4, 7)~~ which is connected to the stand ~~(4)~~ and which is continuously arched, and

[[-]] means ~~(4, 7, 8)~~ cooperating with each other and positioned on the stand ~~(4, 7)~~ and the seating device ~~(6, 7)~~, ~~which means are arranged to guide~~ for guiding the seating device along the element ~~(4, 7)~~ in the movement of the seating device between the lower and upper positions, so that the seating device ~~(6, 7)~~ is continuously gradually tilted in the course of its curved movement in the vertical direction.

2. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the stand ~~(4)~~ itself constitutes the element.

3. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterised ~~in that~~ wherein the seating device ~~(6, 7) consists of~~ includes a seat (6) of a chair and a back (7) of a chair, which form a unit (5).

4. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in any one of claims 1-3~~ according to claim 1, characterised ~~in that~~ wherein the element (7) is included in said the means cooperating with each other and consists of a back (7) of a chair.

5. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterised ~~in that~~ wherein the element constitutes the stand (4) and ~~consists of~~ includes a back (7) of a chair, and the seating device ~~consisting~~ consists of a seat (6) of a chair.

6. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in any one of claims 1-5~~ according to claim 1, characterised ~~in that~~ wherein the driving device is manual, for instance a hand-operated winch.

7. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in any one of claims 1-6~~ according to claim 1, characterised ~~in that~~ wherein the driving device is a machine, for instance an electric motor or a hydraulic assembly.

8. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 6 ~~or 7~~, characterised in that wherein the driving device has a pulling effect on the seating device.

9. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 6 ~~or 7~~, characterised in that wherein the driving device has a pushing effect on the seating device.

10. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in any one of claims 1-9~~ according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein the cooperating means comprise a roller bearing arrangement ~~(8)~~.

11. (Currently Amended) A patient chair ~~as claimed in any one of claims 1-10~~ according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein at least one plate-shaped calf rest with a calf rest pad (24) is mounted on the patient chair, ~~which~~ and wherein the calf rest is arranged by means of a joint arrangement ~~(21b, 24)~~ to be pivotable between an inactive end position where the extent of the calf rest pad (24) is essentially parallel to one side of the patient chair and the calf rest pad is located close to the patient chair, and an active end position where the calf rest pad is capable of supporting the patient's leg when extended, away from the patient chair.